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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Benjamin Franklin Askren was born in Marion County, Indiana on June 17, 1838. He was one of nine children born to Thomas A. and Mary (Demoret) Askren. Askren served, as a private with the 70th Indiana Infantry Division, Company K from August 7, 1862 until December 12, 1864, when he was gravely injured in a battle.

On January 29, 1867, he married Mary L. Kuhn, in Indianapolis, Indiana. She died in March 1871, just one month after having given birth to their second child, who died at the age of five months. On January, 15, 1874, Askren married Martha Jane Perry, with whom he had six children. They lived and worked on a farm in Warren Township, in Indianapolis. Askren died in a farming accident on December 2, 1903 and was buried in Anderson Cemetery in Warren Park, Marion County, Indiana.

Sources:

FindaGrave.com. "Askren, Benjamin Franklin." *Find a Grave Index*. Accessed August 3, 2015. <http://www.findagrave.com>

Geni.com. "Askren, Benjamin Franklin." Accessed August 3, 2015. <http://www.geni.com>

Scope and Contents

This collection includes a photocopy of a diary from Benjamin Franklin Askren in Nashville, Tennessee ranging from January 1 to June 10, 1864 regarding troop movements, soldiers in their free time, their duties, inspections and drills and his facial wound and his eventual decision to live during the U.S. Civil War.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 70th (1862-1865).

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- Indiana--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.
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